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1. IN LETTER TO DCM DATED NOV 6 (BUT ONLY JUST RECEIVED), EDUCATIONS AND SCIENCE MINISTER J.A. VAN KEMENADE, ONE OF THREE MINISTERS TO WHOM DR. FLETCHER'S MESSAGE ON ANS SATELLITE CONTAINED REF (A) WAS ADDRESSED, REQUESTS HIS THANKS AND BEST WISHES BE CONVEYED TO DR. FLETCHER.

2. FULL TEXT OF LETTER AS FOLLOWS:

"DEAR MR. TANGUY,

I WAS GREATLY PLEASED TO RECEIVE YOUR KIND LETTER OF 16 OCTOBER 1974 WITH ENCLOSED THE TEXT OF A MESSAGE FROM DR. JAMES C. FLETCHER, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION EXPRESSING CONGRATULATIONS AND APPRECIATION FOR THE COMPLETION AND SUCCESSFUL PERFORMANCE OF THE ASTRONOMICAL NETHERLANDS
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SATELLITE.

AS THE ANS HAS ENTERED ITS OPERATIONAL PHASE AND TURNS
OUT TO WORK PROPERLY THERE IS INDEED REASON FOR GREAT
SATISFACTION.

I AM AWARE OF THE FACT THAT THE RESULT WOULD NEVER HAVE
BEEN ACHIEVED WITHOUT THE FRIENDLY ASSISTANCE OF THE
UNITED STATES. I AVAIL MYSELF OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO
EXPRESS MY SINCERE GRATITUDE FOR ALL THAT THE AMERICANS
HAVE DONE. RIGHT FROM THE START IN MARCH 1969 NASA WRE
EXTREMELY INTERESTED IN THE CHALLENGE OF THE PROJECT.
IN A WORLD THAT IS GETTING SMALLER INTERNATIONAL
COOPERATION BECOMES MORE ESSENTIAL. I AM CONVINCED THAT
THE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THIS
COUNTRY IN THE FIELD OF SPACE RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY IS
A FINE EXAMPLE OF HOW THIS CAN BE ACHIEVED.

I REQUEST YOU TO BE KIND ENOUGH TO CONVEY MY THANKS
AND BEST WISHES TO DR. FLETCHER.
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